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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALLEN, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTH, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENRY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E. C. SAMUEL DRAGON & Co., 160 & 164, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE ROSNY, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 138, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BRAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE AND STRAITS.—SAYLE & Co., Square, Singapore. C. HEINZEL & Co., Malacca.

CHINA.—Macao, Messrs A. A. DE MELLO & Co., Suva, CAMPBELL & Co., Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co., Foochow, HEDDER & Co., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, 1,300,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman.—W. H. FORBES, Esq.

Deputy Chairman.—HON. W. KENNEDY.

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Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER.

Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. " "

" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3½ per Annum.

" 6 " " 4 " "

" 12 " " 5 " "

On Current Accounts at Rates which can be ascertained at their Office.

D. A. J. CROMBIE, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000. RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

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On CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. " "

" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, shortly, on a day to be hereafter named, unless previously disposed of by private contract,—

THE HONGKONG DISTILLERY,

Situate at East Point, Hongkong, now in Complete Working Order, and Capable of Distilling upwards of 2,000 Gallons daily. The Property is of a most valuable nature, comprising THREE

PIECES OF GROUND close to the water, viz.:—Inland Lots Nos. 749, 781 and 782, with the Substantially Built DWELLING HOUSE and BUSINESS PREMISES, erected specially for the purpose only a few years since, together with the

MACHINERY, ENGINES, STILLS, VATS, STOCK, and TRADE FURNITURE and FITTINGS.

For further Particulars, apply to Messrs SHARP, TOLLER, and JOHNSON,

Solicitors, Supreme Court House, Hongkong.

Hongkong, March 5, 1879.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Business of the Undersigned will in future be conducted under the Firm of SHARP and DANBY.

SHARP & Co., Estate Agents and Valuers.

WILLIAM DANBY, C. E., Architect and Surveyor.

No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, lately occupied by Messrs E. D. SARSON & Co.

Hongkong, April 17, 1879. my17

NOTICE.

MR. THOMAS WILLIAM WRIGHT is authorized to SIGN our Firm per Procuration from this Date.

SAYLE & Co. Hongkong, May 6, 1879. jn6

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY OF MR. WALTER SCOTT FITZ, in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

Mr. CHARLES VINCENT SMITH is admitted a Partner from this Date.

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1879. jpl

NOTICE.

MR. JAMES ANDERSON, formerly Manager of the Poochow Doors, has this Day been admitted a Partner in our Firm.

J. INGLIS & Co., Victoria Foundry, Wanchai.

Hongkong, April 1, 1879. jys8

Advertisements.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE.

IN accordance with the Articles of Agreement, the Directors have declared a DIVIDEND to POLICYHOLDERS for the FIFTEEN MONTHS ending 31st December 1878, of THIRTY-THREE PER CENT. ON THE NET PREMIUM CONTRIBUTED, payable at our OFFICE on and after the 15th Instant.

POLICYHOLDERS are requested to send in particulars of their Contributions.

By Order of the Directors, RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 6, 1879.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Directors have declared an EXTRA DIVIDEND of FIVE PER CENT. ON Shareholders Capital, payable at the Office of the Secretaries, on the 23rd Instant, to SHAREHOLDERS of Record on the 21st Instant.

By Order of the Directors, RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

Shanghai, 18th April, 1879. my28

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DR. EASTLAKE will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

Advertisements.

ROSE & Co., 31 & 33, QUEEN'S ROAD,

BE to inform their numerous Patrons that they have received, Ex French and English Mails and other late Arrivals, their NEW GOODS for the Season.

CONSISTING OF:—

The New "ETONA" CLOTHS, YOSEMITES, MUSLINS, GALATEAS, &c., &c.

Also, LADIES' and CHILDREN'S STRAW HATS, in all the Newest Shapes.

Boys' SAILOR HATS, in the New Styles.

LADIES' BOOTS AND SHOES, PEERLESS GLOSS.

A Good Selection of English and French FLOWERS and FEATHERS.

2-Button and 6-Button KID GLOVES, in tins of 8 and 6 pairs.

COSTUMES and Paris MILLINERY, SUNSHADES.

COLLARS and SLEEVES, in the Newest Designs.

VALENTIENNES, BRUSSELS, TORCHON, and other LACES.

FICHUS, LACE SETS.

MUSLIN and LESSE FRILLINGS, in great variety.

RIBBONS in all the New Shades, REVERSIBLES, &c.

LADIES' and CHILDREN'S HOSIERY, CORSETS, SKIRTS, UNDER-CLOTHING &c., &c.

GENTLEMEN'S WHITE SHIRTS, with and without Collars attached.

GENTLEMEN'S India GAUZE VESTS, in great variety.

GENTLEMEN'S CHRISTY'S STRAW and FELTHATS: Black and Coloured.

SILK SOCKS, TIES, COLLARS, STUDES, BRACES, PERFUMERY, &c., &c., &c.

MILLINERY AND DRESSMAKING.

All Coast Orders Punctually Attended to.

ROSE & Co., 31 AND 33, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, April 25, 1879. my9

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, situate at No. 7, Queen's Road, Hongkong, at 8 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 20th Instant, for the purpose of confirming such Special Resolution passed the Day.

Dated the 6th day of May, 1879.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

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NOTICE.

MR. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct my BUSINESS of MARINE SURVEYOR during my temporary absence from the Colony.

R. H. CAIRNS.

Club Chambers, Hongkong, May 6th, 1879. jn6

PHOTOGRAPHY.

C. POPPELBAUM begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he has taken over the BUSINESS of Mr. H. SCHUREN—well known in Hongkong—and is prepared to take PHOTOGRAPHS daily from 8 a.m. till 1 p.m. Having previously been employed by Mr. SCHUREN, and had long experience in some of the most Celebrated Studios in Europe, he will take any Work in PHOTOGRAPHY, and is able to guarantee satisfaction to all who favour him with their Patronage. Photographs enlarged to life-size and finished in Artistic Style. Any Pictures not meeting with the approval of Patrons will not be charged for.

PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO, Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, April 21, 1879. my21

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS, AND JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

48, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, April 21, 1879. my20

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co., Proprietors.

Hongkong, November 29, 1878. my28

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS will visit SHANGHAI during the Summer Months, leaving Hongkong on the 1st of April next, and returning about 1st November.

Hongkong, February 19, 1879.

HONGKONG ARTILLERY VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERLY ROOM, 19th April, 1879.

It is notified that the DRILLS at present in course will be Altered until further Orders to TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS, and not, as heretofore, viz. TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS.

A. COXON, Captain-Commandant H. K. A. V.

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UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A FIRST BONUS OF TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT. upon Contributions, and an Interim Dividend of ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY DOLLARS AND SIXTY-FIVE CENTS PER SHARE for the year 1878, will be payable on THURSDAY, the 8th Instant.

A Third and Final Bonus of ONE DOLLAR, SEVENTY-THREE PER CENT. on Contributions, and a Third and Final Dividend of NINE DOLLARS AND EIGHTY-FOUR CENTS PER SHARE for the year 1877, will be paid at the Same Time.

Warrants may be had on application at the Office of the Society on and after that Date.

By Order of the Board, N. J. EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, May 1, 1879. my8

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

EUGENE RIMMEL'S TROPICAL FLOWER WATER.

SUPERIOR TO ALL SIMILAR PREPARATIONS.

VOGEL & Co., Sole Agents for China.

Hongkong, February 19, 1879. my19

FOR SALE OR TO LET.

WITH immediate Entry, That BUNGALOW at the VICTORIA GAP known as Capt. THOMAS'S BUNGALOW.

Apply to G. O. SCOTT, Oriental Bank.

Hongkong, May 6, 1879. my13

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Parts I. and II., A to M, with Introduction. Royal 8vo., pp. 404.—By ERNEST JOHN BIRN, Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF per Part.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, March 1, 1879.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

THE British Iron Barque "BEN. CLUTHA," 997 Tons Register, as she now lies at anchor in CHEFOO Harbour.

For Particulars, &c., apply to Messrs H. SIEMAS & Co., Chefoo.

Hongkong, April 23, 1879. my28

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.) WASHMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL Office.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT). The Spanish Steamer "MARIVELES,"

Munoz, Master, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 10th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, May 6, 1879. my10

FOR FOOCHOW (DIRECT).

The Steamship "ZEPHYR,"

W. C. NISBET, Master, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 10th Instant, at Noon, instead of at the time previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 5, 1879. my10

FOR HOIHOW AND HAIPHONG.

(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for HANOI.)

The Steamship "ATALANTA,"

Captain G. PETERSEN, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 12th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, May 5, 1879. my12

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TIGRE,"

Commandant CHAMPENOIS, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, May 3, 1879.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "CYBIS,"

Commandant LE FORTOIS, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, May 3, 1879.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

The Spanish Schooners "MANUEL,"

Equilior, Master, "OAZADOR,"

Orbeta, Master, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, April 23, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 American Bark "EDWARD MAY,"

Capt. JOHNSON, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, April 30, 1879.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 British Ship "OILURNUM,"

BEADLE, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will be despatched on or before the 6th of May.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, April 25, 1879.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 British Ship "ONIDA,"

Captain CLYMA, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Underwritten in the Chinese Mail, 華字日報 (Wah Tze Yat Po), Closed from the 1st August, 1877.

CHUN AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Underwritten has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr. LEONG YOOK CHAN, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new régime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG OHIM.

Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.



STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-AMPTON, AND LONDON; VIA BOMBAY.

ALSO BOMBAY, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship GUALO, Captain J. C. BAKER, will leave this on TUESDAY, the 20th May, at Noon.

Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving on the 1st June, by the direct route. Silk and Valuable will be transferred to the Calcutta steamer at Calcutta.

For further Particulars, apply to A. MÖYER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, May 7, 1879. my20

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.

The Steamship "BRECONSHIRE" will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 8th Instant, at Noon, instead of at the time previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, May 7, 1879. my8

CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA (DIRECT). The Steamship "GORDON CASTLE" will be despatched for the above Port, on FRIDAY, the 9th Instant, at Noon, instead of at the time previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, May 7, 1879. my9

FOR AMOY, TAIWANFOO & TAMSUI.

The Steamship "ALBANY" Capt. F. ASHTON, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 9th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, May 7, 1879. my9

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.

The Steamship "DOUGLAS" Capt. YOUNG, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 10th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, May 7, 1879. my10

FOR HAMBURG.

The British Bark "GOLDEN FLEEC" WILHELM, Master, For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co.

Hongkong, May 7, 1879.

FROM SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE S. S. Venus having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, May 7, 1879. my14

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Japan, Captain T. S. GARDNER, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underwriter for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, May 7, 1879. my14

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, ON

WEDNESDAY,

the 14th May, 1879, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—

THE RARE AND VALUABLE

collection of CHINESE & JAPANESE CURIOS, formed by THOS. ARNOLD, Esq.,

Comprising:—Bronzes, Old Sookow, Kioto and Yedo Gold Lacquer, Carved Ivory Netsukis, Old Satsuma, Banks and Kanga Ware, Nankin and Japan Blue and White Porcelain, an Unique collection of Old Japanese No-dancers Masks, a selection of Fine Old Scrolls, Paintings.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Tuesday, the 13th Instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, May 7, 1879. my14

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

GOLDEN FLEEC, British barque, Capt. James Wiltshire, Gilman & Co.

ONEIDA, British ship, Captain S. Olyma, Gibb, Livingston & Co.

TAIWAN, German barque, Captain C. Jesson, Arnold, Karberg & Co.

ALEXA, British barque, Captain George Robb, Jardine, Matheson & Co.

PARALOS, French barque, Captain T. Passo, Carlowitz & Co.

ANNIE W. WESTON, American barque, Captain B. O. Winsor, Order.

VESTIVUS, American barque, Captain F. W. Call, Order.

EDITH, American ship, Captain Edmund S. Manson, Vogel & Co.

JOHN R. STANFORD, American barque, Capt. H. G. Pillsbury, Arnold, Karberg & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 7, Japan, British steamer, 1866, Gardner, Calcutta April 20, Penang 27, and Singapore 30, General.—DAVID SASSOON, Sons & Co.

May 7, Venice, British steamer, 1871, P. L. Rhodes, Calcutta April 20, Penang 26, and Singapore 30, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

May 7, Yettung, British steamer, 286, D. McDougal, Swatow May 6, General.—KWOK ACHONG.

DEPARTURES.

May 7, Wrecker, for Swatow.

7, Danba, for Bangkok.

7, Zamboanga, for Saigon.

7, Malina, for Whampoa.

7, Glenorchy, for Yokohama.

7, Thales, for Swatow.

7, Nampo, for Coast Ports.

7, Coerin, for Koba.

7, Adria, for Saigon.

CLEARED.

Breconshire, for Yokohama.

Monarch, for Penang.

Emmy, for Manila via Amoy.

Thos. A. Gardner, for New York.

Gosling, for Bangkok.

Golden Breeze, for Ramput.

Tat Lee, for Newchwang.

Golden Rule, for New York.

Orange Grove, for Takao.

Me-li, for Hothow and Haplong.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Japan, from Calcutta, &c., Mrs. Gardner, Mrs. Jacob, Miss Byjorn, Messrs. A. Apcar, Jr., S. Apcar, Jr., Gubbey, one Chinese, wife and child, and 307 deck.

Per Venice, from Swatow, 1 European, and 79 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Glenorchy, for Yokohama, Mrs. St. Clair, 3 children and native servants, Major Herring, Capt. Coffey, and Mr. J. J. Keswick.

Per Nampo, for Swatow, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Richardson; for Penang, Mr. and Mrs. Leavitt, Mrs. H. T. Leavitt and child, Messrs. Krohn, E. H. Boyd, S. Hughes, G. Slade, and Sandeman.

Per Danba, for Bangkok, 127 Chinese.

Per Adria, for Saigon, 130 Chinese.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS WILL CLOSE:—

For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHEW.—Per Douglas, at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 10th inst.

For FOOCHEW.—Per Zevio, at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 10th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For MANILA.—Per Mariveles, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 10th inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—The French Contract Packet Sindh will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 13th May, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burma, Ceylon, India (via Madras), Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension.

MAILS BY THE TORRES STRAITS PACKET.—The Australian Contract Packet Normanby will be despatched from Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 15th instant, with Mails for Singapore, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cleveland Bay, Bowen, Keppel Bay, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, New Zealand, Fiji, and Melbourne.

Correspondence can be Registered till 1.15 p.m.

The Mails will be closed at 1.30. Supplementary mail on board with 18 cents late fee till time of departure.

Correspondence for Southern and Western Australia can be sent by this route if desired, but as a general rule it is better to send it via Galle.

Hongkong, May 1, 1879. my15

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—The British Contract Packet Gwalior will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 20th instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe via Brindisi or Southampton; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burma, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa, nor for Mauritius.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—The United States Mail Packet City of Tokio will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 20th May, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

11.15 a.m.—Registry of Letters closed.

11.30 a.m.—Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route.

Hongkong, April 30, 1879. my20

HOURS OF CLOSING.

THE CONTRACT MAILS. The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by both the British and French Contract Packets:—

Day before departure.—Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Day of departure.—7 a.m.—Post Office opens.

10 a.m.—Registry of Letters ceases.

Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.

11 a.m.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m.—Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents until

11.30 a.m.—when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.40 a.m.—Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 18 cents until time of departure.

Shipping Intelligence.

The following are corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

When Name. From.

Oct. 18, Ernst, Antwerp

16, Rosine, Cardiff

19, Hermann, Bremen

20, Rosalre, Cardiff

Dec. 18, Blenheim, Flushing

23, Glamis Castle, Cardiff

Feb. 2, Vale of Doon, Antwerp

12, Edward Barrow, Hamburg

13, South American, Penarth

13, Vigilant, Cardiff

22, Grosvenor Constantine, Hamburg

22, Agnes Muir, London

23, Monte Rosa, Cardiff

23, G. O. Truett, Cardiff

25, Patroclus (s.), Liverpool

SPOKEN.

The German three-masted schooner Japan Hongkong to Hamburg, 8th March, lat. 47° N., long. 17° W.

The John O. Murray from London to Poochow, on the 12th January in lat. 38° 24' N., long. 124° 18' W.

Shanghai, 8th March lat. 40° 45' N., long. 121° 18' W.

Hongkong, The Caravel London to Hongkong 8th February lat. 2° N., long. 25° W.

Messrs. McAlister & Co., Singapore, report that they have on the 8th inst. from Captain H. Reynolds of the ship Chion Harrison

at Luapara Island, eleven days out from Shanghai, bound for Newcastle, N.S.W., seeking all well, and wished to be reported

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Noon.—Breconshire leaves for Yokohama, &c.

Miscellaneous.

Bonus of Union Insurance Society payable.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, May 9:—Noon.—Gordon Castle leaves for Ythama.

Noon.—Albay leaves for Amoy, &c.

Goods per Glenorchy undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, May 10:—Noon.—Douglas leaves for Coast Ports.

Noon.—Albay leaves for Fochow.

Noon.—Mariveles leaves for Manila.

MONDAY, May 12:—Daylight.—Atalanta leaves for Hothow, &c.

TUESDAY, May 13:—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

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WEDNESDAY, May 14:—2 p.m.—Sale of Curios at Mr. J. M. Armstrong's Sales Rooms.

TUESDAY, May 20:—Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

Noon.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

3 p.m.—Confirmatory Meeting of Hongkong Fire Insurance Company.

WEDNESDAY, May 28:—Dividend of 5% on Shares of Yangtze Insurance Association, payable at the office of Russell & Co.

SATURDAY, May 31:—8 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S.S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

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MARRIAGE.

On the 7th May, at St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, by the Rev. R. Hayward Kidd, Colonial Chaplain, ISAAC REEVES, Commander P. & O. Co., to CAROLINE LOUISE, second daughter of Reuben Green, Esq., 27, Landsemane Road, Notting Hill, London. No Cards.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.45 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 1879.

We publish in another column certain documents relating to the Chinese Address to Her Majesty the Queen, together with the Address itself, which it will be seen was forwarded to England by H. E. the Governor towards the end of January last, fully three months after the resolutions of the foreign public meeting had been sent home. Under ordinary circumstances these documents need not have been reproduced; but as Mr. Hennessy appears to regard them as of the greatest importance, and has had every word of them translated and printed in the Chinese language, as a Government Notification, we deem them worthy of further publicity and of a few remarks.

It may strike many of our readers as strange that so little time has been lost in the acknowledgment of the Address in question, while the representations made by the foreign community appear to repose unmolested in the pigeon-holes of the Colonial Office. The ways of the Home authorities are, however, not always comprehensible at a distance; and it may not be difficult to produce good reason for the delay. No excuse whatever can be found for not having acknowledged receipt of the foreign resolutions; but there may be ample excuse for not having answered them. Indeed, it is well to bear in mind that the Chinese address has only been acknowledged, Her Majesty having been "pleased to receive it very graciously;"—and nothing more. All the "dust" raised over this gracious reception has been got up here in Hongkong, and it is not too much to say that this turning of the Government Gazette into the Governor's Trumpet is a proceeding not generally adopted elsewhere. Still as it may be that the local journals do not give Mr. Hennessy full credit for all his endeavours "to hold the balance evenly between the different races and the somewhat conflicting commercial interests in Hongkong," there is nothing in the Ordinances to prevent the Governor from ventilating the views of a few native shopkeepers and others who have formed a temporary association of their own and called it "the Chinese Community."

In his covering despatch, Mr. Hennessy states that the "Chinese Community" applied to him "for the usual authority to hold a public meeting to consider and discuss" the resolutions passed at the foreign meeting; but, as they were good enough to take his advice, they "embodied their views in the form of an address." His Excellency appears to be highly pleased with the verification of the seals and signatures, as well as with the fact that they number two thousand two hundred and eighteen—which he understands "is the largest number of seals or signatures of Chinese shops or firms that has been appended to any document of the kind in this Colony." Mr. Hennessy modestly admits that the address is "far more flattering to him than he at all deserves," and thus concludes:—"There is no special reason that I know of why the Chinese subjects of Her Majesty should pay me a compliment, beyond the fact that I have always endeavoured to hold the balance evenly between the different races and the somewhat conflicting commercial interests in Hongkong. This will, perhaps, be admitted by all parties in course of time." Nothing need be said here of the "special reasons" which were advanced at the time why so many signatures were obtained by the so-called "friends" of the Governmental party; as the Governor is apparently ignorant of the manner in which Chinese petitions and memorials are "engineered." But it would be interesting to know when and how the even balance between the different races was upset, and what was the particular form of attack. Native soundbells and habitual criminals were the persons against whom the anger of the foreign residents was roused, and the security and protection of life and property, native as well as foreign, was the only object of the movement made by the foreign community to modify the policy of the Governor. As to "the somewhat conflicting commercial interests in Hongkong" to which His Excellency refers, we are at a loss to discover them. Probably the Chamber of Commerce know more about them than we do, and it is possible that mercantile men are better versed in such matters than Mr. Hennessy. But it is an incontestable fact that the Chinese are the shrewdest men of business which the world contains, and therefore there is the less reason for any one becoming their champion in this respect, in a British Colony which is a comparatively free port.

In the Address itself—which is in the invariably high-flown, flowery and adulatory style—there are one or two statements which would have been much better left out, and which Mr. Hennessy would have done well to have suppressed. Having dilated upon the good qualities of His Excellency and of his administration, the Address goes on to say "that the fulness of his virtues was turned into an occasion for calumny and disaffection." To the Chinese shopkeepers who are unable to comprehend an honest expression of opinion on the part of a free and independent people, this is excusable nonsense; but it is something new when it comes with the sanction of a "gracious reception" at the hands of the Queen, and with the air of approval by a champion Governor of an oppressed race. To proceed. When the "certain burglary inadvertently occurred," it is alleged, that "malicious talk rose up in bubbles, a public meeting was called, for both Chinese and Foreigners, but the Chinese were insulted, they were not allowed to take part in the discussion, they were without provocation hooted, till their assembly scattered on the spot, which they left restraining every feeling and repressing every utterance." Were this a fair description of what occurred, either before or at the public meeting of the 7th October, there might have been more reason of a public nature for the Address now reprinted than there is. Unfortunately Mr. Hennessy was not present at the meeting alluded to, otherwise he might have judged for himself of the loyalty and fairness there displayed. In our view, however, the republication of this Address, with its political innuendoes, does not strike us as at all a successful endeavour "to hold the balance evenly between the different races."

Regarding the composition of the body of signatories—"the whole community, one compact city," as they are said by themselves to be—we shall have a word or two to say hereafter. The native crowd represented by Mr. Ng Choy were alleged by that gentleman to be of a high class of respectability and position. It will be interesting to analyse the "compact city" who signed the Address.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The AMERICAN MAILS per P. M. steamer Alaska may be expected here on or about the 9th inst.

We are informed by Messrs Butterfield & Swire that the O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Patroclus, from Liverpool, left Singapore for Hongkong this morning.

SUBSCRIPTION lists for the entertainment to General Grant are lying at the Hongkong Club, the Club Germania, Messrs Lane Crawford & Co.'s, and Messrs G. Falconer & Co.'s.

It is officially notified that Peter Kampermann, Esq., has been appointed Vice-Consul for His Imperial German Majesty, at this port, and will have charge of the German Consulate at this port.

From the Gazette we learn officially that His Excellency the Governor has appointed Hugh Gold Gibb, Esq., to be a Member

of the Legislative Council, pending the receipt of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, in the place of Henry Lowcock, Esq., resigned.

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

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H. M. BLANCHARD,

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Hongkong, May 6, 1879. my31

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